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The long-hoped-for rain has come at last, and although the fall of the past twenty-four hours (over three inches) has been the highest recorded for very many months, there can as yet be no question of the lessening of the present restrictions.

Summarised, the rain since yesterday has meant an addition of twelve million gallons to the reservoirs on the island, which is equivalent to about six days' supply from the mains, on the basis of present consumption.

"Drop in the Ocean."

Seen by a *Telegraph* representative this morning, Mr. A. B. Purves, Water Engineer, stated that there would need to be a much greater reserve in the reservoirs before there could be any relaxation of the restrictions. The fall for the past twenty-four hours was, of course, most welcome, but it was still only a drop in the ocean.

Mr. Purves added that if the rains should continue as at present for the next two or three days, it would make an enormous difference.

Figures showing the fall registered at the various reservoirs again demonstrate the variability of the rainfall. Whereas at Tytan Tak, there were 3.35 inches, at Tytan the fall was only 1.58, whilst at Tytan Intermediate it was even less still, being 1.3 inch.

Reservoir Figures.

Taking the principal island reservoirs, the following figures are interesting:

Tytan Tak.—A fall of 3.35 inches has caused this reservoir to rise 10 inches to 104 feet 5 inches below overflow.

Tytan.—Rainfall of 1.58 inches has caused a rise of 1 foot 2 inches to 40 feet 6 inches below overflow.

Tytan Intermediate.—Rainfall, 1.3 inches, causing a negligible rise. The level is now 65 feet 11 inches below overflow.

Wing Nei Chung.—A fall of 3.35 inches has caused a rise of 8 inches, making the present level 39 feet 8 inches below overflow.

Since these readings were taken, there has been a good deal more rain, and the water authorities are hoping that there is still more to come.

The Observatory Figures.

The fall registered at the Royal Observatory, 3.10 inches, is easily the highest for any one day during the present year. The nearest approach was 2.22 on May 2nd/3rd. The year's fall now totals 18.86 inches. This, of course, is still very much below the average for the period, which is 43.42 inches.

Of the fall registered during the 24 hours ended at 10.30 a.m. today, an inch and a half fell in the last two hours of the period.

It is worth noting that to-day's fall is not far short of the total rainfall for the six months from October to March, which was only 3.30 inches.

Since the Observatory reading was taken, rain has continued to fall, although not so heavily as during the early forenoon.

Weather Forecast.

The Observatory weather forecast up to noon to-morrow is: "S.E. winds, fresh; cloudy with rain, probably improving later." The daily report states that a weak anticyclone lies between South Japan and the Bonins; depressions are situated over the Gulf of Pechili and Tongking.

RUSSIAN FORGERY SENSATION.

ATTEMPT TO SWINDLE U.S. JOURNALIST.

BERLIN TRIAL ENDS.

Berlin, July 11. Starting allegations were made in the course of the trial of two Russians which came to an end to-day.

The prisoners were Vladimir Orloff, who is reputed to have held a high position in Russia under the Tsarist regime, and Peter Pałonowski, an alleged confederate in an attempted swindle.

They were charged with forging documents and with attempting to obtain money by false pretences, and found guilty, they were each sentenced to four months' imprisonment with hard labour.

The evidence showed that the two men had been in negotiations with an American journalist in Berlin and that they endeavoured to sell him a number of forged documents, compromising certain prominent Americans.

It was alleged that Orloff openly boasted, at one time or other, his responsibility for

TERRIBLE TRAGEDY AT GILLINGHAM.

Nine Cadets Burned to Death at Fete.

FIRE BRIGADE SCENE.

London, July 11. A terrible tragedy in full view of a huge crowd terminated a fete held at Gillingham, Kent, on behalf of local hospitals.

Crowds had collected during the evening to witness a demonstration of Fire Brigade Life Saving when a dummy house prematurely caught fire and collapsed.

The occupants, nine cadets, were incinerated.—*Reuter*.

FORGING THE NOTORIOUS ZIMOCIEFF LETTER.

London, July 11. The notorious Zimocieff letter, which introduced into England on the eve of the 1924 General Election brought about the complete downfall of the then Labour Government.—*Reuter*.

NATIONALITY IN SARAWAK.

INCOME-TAX CLAIM BY DAYANG MUDA.

London, July 11. A case which is to decide the nationality of the Rajah of Sarawak was before the Special Income-Tax Commission to-day, when the Dayang Muda, the wife of the Tuân Muda brother of the Rajah, appeared to learn the decision on her application for repayment of £10,000 income-tax and super-tax on her private fortune.

She claims that Sarawak is an independent sovereign State, and she is not a British subject, and thus is not liable to pay the tax.—*Straits Times*.

"SVERIGE" REACHES GREENLAND.

CAPTAIN AHRENBORG OFF AGAIN.

Stockholm, July 11. It is learned that Captain Ahrenberg has arrived at Iglofjord, Greenland, from Reykjavik, Iceland, in the "Sverige."

Captain Ahrenberg is flying from Sweden to New York via Iceland and Greenland. He had an accident and had been held up for some weeks at Reykjavik.—*Reuter*.

THE SINGAPORE BASE.

London, July 11. An early statement in regard to the Singapore Base is foreshadowed in the House of Commons.—*Reuter*.

LOST SUBMARINE ABANDONED.

SALVAGE OPERATIONS TO CEASE.

COMMANDER OF L.12 GIVES EVIDENCE.

BURIAL SERVICE HELD.

The Admiralty has decided to take no further steps for the salvage of the H.47, owing to the extreme difficulty of the operations.

The Navy paid its last respects to those who lost their lives in the disaster at sunset yesterday, a most impressive ceremony being held on the spot where the H.47 met her fate.

Further details of the mishap were given by the commander of the L.12 at the inquest on one of the victims. He said that the H.47 went down within twenty seconds of being struck.

ADMIRALTY STATEMENT.

London, July 11. The Secretary of the Admiralty announced that after full consideration of the circumstances attending the location and the salvaging of H.M. Submarine H.47, which sank after a collision with L.12 in the Irish Channel on Tuesday, it has been decided to cease all further operations.

The Lords of the Admiralty in reaching this decision have been guided by the following facts:

The certainty that all those who are missing perished almost immediately the vessel sank.

SERIOUS RISKS.

"The great depth of water (fifty fathoms) and the serious risks of tide, and weather in the place where she was sunk would render salvage of the vessel a remote possibility and an anxious task for the divers and others engaged on the work, who would be in great and continual danger."

"Even if the H.47 were salvaged, the damage sustained by pressure and flood would render her unfit for further service and salvage operations of such difficulty would not be justified."

PENBROKE INQUEST.

An inquest was held this morning on Able Seaman Sampson of the Submarine L.12, who lost his life in the disaster.

Evidence was given by Lieutenant-Commander Oram, who was in command of H.M. Submarine L.12. He stated that the H.47 sank very rapidly after the collision. He estimated that the doomed ship went down in less than 20 seconds after she was struck, and he added that the L.12 sank two minutes later.

All on the bridge of the L.12 were swept overboard, including the witness. Two of the ratings on the bridge were still missing.

PICKED UP BY L.14.

Lieut. Commdr. Oram said that A.B. Sampson and himself were picked up by the L.14 which rushed to the vicinity on witnessing the crash.

Sampson died on board the L.14 after artificial respiration had been vainly tried for some long time.

The jury recorded a verdict of "Death by Drowning."

NAVY'S LAST RESPECTS.

The last phase of the H.47 tragedy was enacted in the gathering dusk, immediately after sunset, when H.M.S. Rodney, flying the flag of the Rear-Admiral Commanding Submarines, and attended by an escort of destroyers and other craft on the spot, paid the Royal Navy's last respect to those who lost their lives in the H.47 and L.12.

The destroyers lay at anchor, their crews lined up, and burial services were conducted simultaneously by the chaplains of the various ships.

Seamen dropped wreaths in the water at the close of the impressive ceremony.—*Reuter and British Wireless*.

WHOLESALE FRAUD ALLEGED.

SEVERAL FIRMS SAID TO BE SWINDLED.

EIGHT ARRESTS MADE.

A large number of Chinese firms are named as victims in a case of alleged conspiracy of a nature corresponding to the recent series of "bucket-shop" frauds, which led to a number of Chinese being sentenced at the Central Magistracy on charges of obtaining goods by false pretences.

The facts, as briefly indicated in the present case, are that a number of individuals, setting themselves up as a firm of repute, between the period of May and June of this year, obtained goods from about a dozen Chinese firms, and on credit or production of what had then appeared to be the chops of a bona-fide firm.

The firms alleged to have been thus victimised ranged from piece-goods establishments to provision stores. In all the cases, it is claimed, no payment was received for the goods ordered.

GOVERNMENT'S DECISION.

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It is understood that the Note will be so couched that it may be hoped that a Russian representative will be in London before the end of July for the purpose of discussing directly with Mr. Arthur Henderson, the Foreign Secretary, the questions between the two countries, and that a satisfactory understanding will be reached with a view to the operation of normal diplomatic machinery.

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ARGUMENT IN HOUSE.

Much argument developed in the House of Commons to-day arising from a question as to whether the House would have an opportunity of debating the question of diplomatic relations with Russia before decisive action was taken, and whether a White Paper would be published showing the Government's communications to the Governments of the Dominions and the replies of the Dominions Governments.

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NO PROMISE.

Mr. MacDonald went on to say that undoubtedly a suitable opportunity for such debate would arise, but he could not promise to delay action. The question of publishing the correspondence in well would be considered, but the matter had not yet reached the stage wherein it would be desirable to lay papers. In any event the Government of the United Kingdom would certainly not publish the correspondence without consulting His Majesty's other governments.

In reply to a supplementary question, Mr. MacDonald undertook that the usual procedure and practice would be followed in bringing the matter before the House of Commons.

SIR AUSTEN'S METHODS.

Sir Austen Chamberlain asked Mr. MacDonald if the Commons would be given the opportunity of considering whether the Soviet replies to the conditions laid down were satisfactory before relations were resumed.

MR. MACDONALD: NO.

Mr. MacDonald: No, I really cannot agree to that. We will follow the procedure Sir Austen Chamberlain himself has followed in other matters.

Mr. Winston Churchill asked whether the matter might be settled before the House resumed after the Summer recess.

MR. RAMSAY MACDONALD: YES.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald: Yes, as far as I am concerned, but it will, of course, remain in the power of the House to discuss the matter and to come to a decision thereon.

THE CASE OF M. TROTsky.

The matter of M. Trotsky's request for permission to enter Britain was also the subject of question.

Mr. J. R. Clynes, the Home Secretary, said that Government had

BRITAIN'S OFFER TO SOVIET.

NORMAL DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS.

LABOUR CABINET DECIDES ON CONDITIONS.

THE TORIES ANXIOUS.

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CODE TELEGRAPHY.**DECISIONS OF INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION.**

The Hongkong Chamber of Commerce has circulated to members, for information, an advanced proof of matter which will appear in the next annual report of the Chamber, regarding International Code Telegraphy.

At the end of 1928 the Chamber received a letter from the Secretary of the Federation of Chambers of Commerce of the British Empire setting out the decisions of the International Telegraph Convention held at Brussels in September for the purpose of revising regulations dating from 1876. The new rules adopted at the Brussels Convention are to become operative as from October 1, 1929.

The original proposal before the Convention was to reduce the maximum number of letters allowed in a code word from ten to five, but, largely as a result of the efforts of delegates representing the International Chamber of Commerce, the ten-letter system was retained, with a modification that nine or ten-letter code words must contain at least three vowels; the first five letters in every case to include at least one vowel and the remainder of the word at least one ("Y" being regarded as a vowel).

Alongside the present system of the ten-letter word, a new, five-letter system is to be set up, the user having a choice between the two. There will be no restrictions as to the composition of these five-letter words, but if employed they will be charged at two-thirds of the full rate for foreign communication (extra-European) and at three-fourths of the full rate for inter-European communication. Figures and groups of figures will not be allowed in these words, but commercial marks consisting of a combination of figures and letters will be accepted if the sender can show that they actually are commercial marks. Five-letter code words will be subject to a four-word minimum, the address and signature to be charged at the same rate as the body of the message.

Rules Adopted.

The following rules were adopted at the Brussels Conference to cover difficulties which might arise out of the introduction of the new five-letter word system:-

- (1) If five-letter code words and ten-letter code words are employed in the same message, the whole will be charged at the full rate.
- (2) At the present time when plain language is mixed with code the plain language is charged at the rate of ten letters to a word. The same system will be applied to the new five-letter code, namely, every five letters of the plain language will be charged as a five-letter code word.
- (3) If in a ten-letter code message a word is included which does not comply with the vowel rule, it will be charged at five letters to the word without affecting the cost of the rest of the telegram.

The theory, with regard to the introduction of the five-letter code word is that as new codes are written, the code-maker, unhampered with restrictions as to vowels, etc., will be able to obtain as good results with five letters as he can now with ten, and so, in spite of the relatively higher charge for the five-letter word, the new system would be cheaper, and thus supersede the ten-letter code. In the meantime, the user is free to continue with the present system (providing that the code complies with the vowel qualification) or to adopt the new one, whichever he finds more advantageous.

A Protest.

In the letter to this Chamber from the Federation of Chambers of Commerce of the British Empire, (London), the opinion was

OBITUARY.**DEATH OF A FORMER LOCAL RESIDENT.**

News has been received of the death of a former local resident in the person of Mr. George Edward Stewart, who will be remembered for his very keen interest in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps. A cable came to hand, yesterday, that he passed away at Hastings on Tuesday.

The late Mr. Stewart, who was 60 years of age, was a resident here for a good many years and was a very popular member of the staff of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, with whom he served, and of the Volunteer Defence Force. He retired in 1926 and settled down at home.

Although a member of several Clubs, his activities were chiefly confined to the Volunteers. There are many still serving who remember him as Adjutant, a responsible position he filled with credit to himself and benefit to the Corps. His enthusiasm and keenness were infectious. His friends, still resident here, will sincerely regret his passing.

expressed that "it seems improbable that any of the existing codes infringe the new regulation with regard to the incidence of vowels."

In January, 1929, however, one of the members of this Chamber called attention to the fact that in their case a private code prepared three years ago at considerable expense was affected. The Committee considered that it was too late at that time for the protest of any single Chamber to be effective, but it was subsequently observed, from an article in the "British Chamber of Commerce Journal," Shanghai, that "Chambers of Commerce in Great Britain and on the Continent" were "actively engaged in opposing" the new rules.

On March 4, a cable was sent to the Federation of Chambers of Commerce of the British Empire, stating that this Chamber desired to join in any protest Chambers of Commerce in China and Hongkong (Shanghai) was also cabled suggesting a joint protest by all Chambers in the Far East. In the Chamber's confirmatory letter to London, dated March 4, 1929, agreement was expressed with the comment of the Shanghai "Journal" that the Brussels findings were not in accordance with the ruling of the Paris Cable Conference, which ruled that there were to be no increased charges; also that the shortcomings of the Brussels compromise were so great that the solution offered could not be a permanent one. The Associated Chambers took up the question and in a letter to the China Association, London, dated April 9, protested against the new rules on the grounds that they would render useless many existing codes.

The Ten-Letter System.

Replies, dated April 9 and April 17 respectively, were received from the China Association, London, and the Federation of Chambers of Commerce of the British Empire, indicating that a Committee of seven experts appointed by the International Chamber of Commerce to study the situation brought about by the Brussels Conference had arrived at the conclusion that nothing further could be done in the matter, the decisions of the Brussels Conference being regarded as the utmost that could be expected in the way of a compromise by the Postal Administrations. Opposition to the new rules on the part of Chambers of Commerce was therefore not being continued.

The Federation of Chambers, in the course of their reply, reviewed efforts which had been made both by that body and by the International Chamber of Commerce with a view to the retention of the ten-letter system unaltered, and stated that this attitude became

THE SUICIDE WAVE.**SHANGHAI CHINESE START A NEW CAMPAIGN.**

An anti-suicide campaign is being pushed intensely by the Social Bureau of the Municipality of Shanghai (Chinese Territory) with a view to curbing the prevailing tendency among the native populace, whilst in mood of despondency, to abruptly end their career by plunging into the merciful Whangpoo river. Prominent skull-and-bones signs on posters with short explanatory notes, admonishing the unworthy manner of thus ending a potentially useful life have for several months been displayed near thoroughfares adjoining the river front, but they evidently have not had the desired result.

Considering the number of corpses found floating in the river and the rescues of drowning persons effected in recent months, it is a matter for conjecture as to whether the display of posters has contributed to suicides rather than to check them. At any rate, the matter is beginning to cause worry to the Chinese authorities and they are now making a strenuous attempt to educate the would-be victims to the view that life is really worth living. The new posters read "Behold and reconsider! Don't jump! You shall not die!"

no longer feasible in view of the united opposition of the Postal Administrations who claimed that a shorter code word would facilitate transmission by obviating largely, if not entirely, the errors which now occur. The Federation then took the stand that if the word were reduced to five letters there should be no increase in the cost, that is to say, that the price of the five-letter word should be half that of the ten-letter word. It transpired, however, that this proposition was not really practicable owing to the fact that there is no special rate for code—and the 50 per cent would therefore have to apply equally to plain language and code with consequent large decrease in the receipts of the cable companies.

A Trial.

The retention of the ten-letter system, side by side with the new five-letter system (even with the modification as to the incidence of vowels) was regarded as a victory for the commercial community and it was the general opinion that the Brussels decisions represented a compromise which should, at any rate, be given a trial. There might be a few private codes so composed as not to comply with the vowel qualification, but it was considered that in practice the great majority of codes which complied with the old test of pronouncability were so constituted as to comply with the new vowel qualification. It was further pointed out, in the letter from the Federation of Chambers that if, after October 1, 1929, a word which did not comply with the Regulation occurred in a code message, the word in question, but not the other words in the message, would be charged as two words. The hope was expressed that codes would be revised to avoid this and that, in addition, existing ten-letter codes would be replaced in time by five-letter codes, with a resultant substantial saving of cable expenditure in view of the fact that the five-letter word, being free from all restrictions, would be capable of conveying as much as the restricted ten-letter word, whilst being charged at only two-thirds (or three-quarters) of the full rate.

In view of the fact that the subject had been gone into so fully by the Federation of Chambers of Commerce of the British Empire and by the International Chamber of Commerce, this Chamber wrote, on June 17, 1929, to the China Association, London, the Federation of Chambers of Commerce of the British Empire and the Shanghai Chamber, indicating that in its opinion nothing was to be gained by further action.

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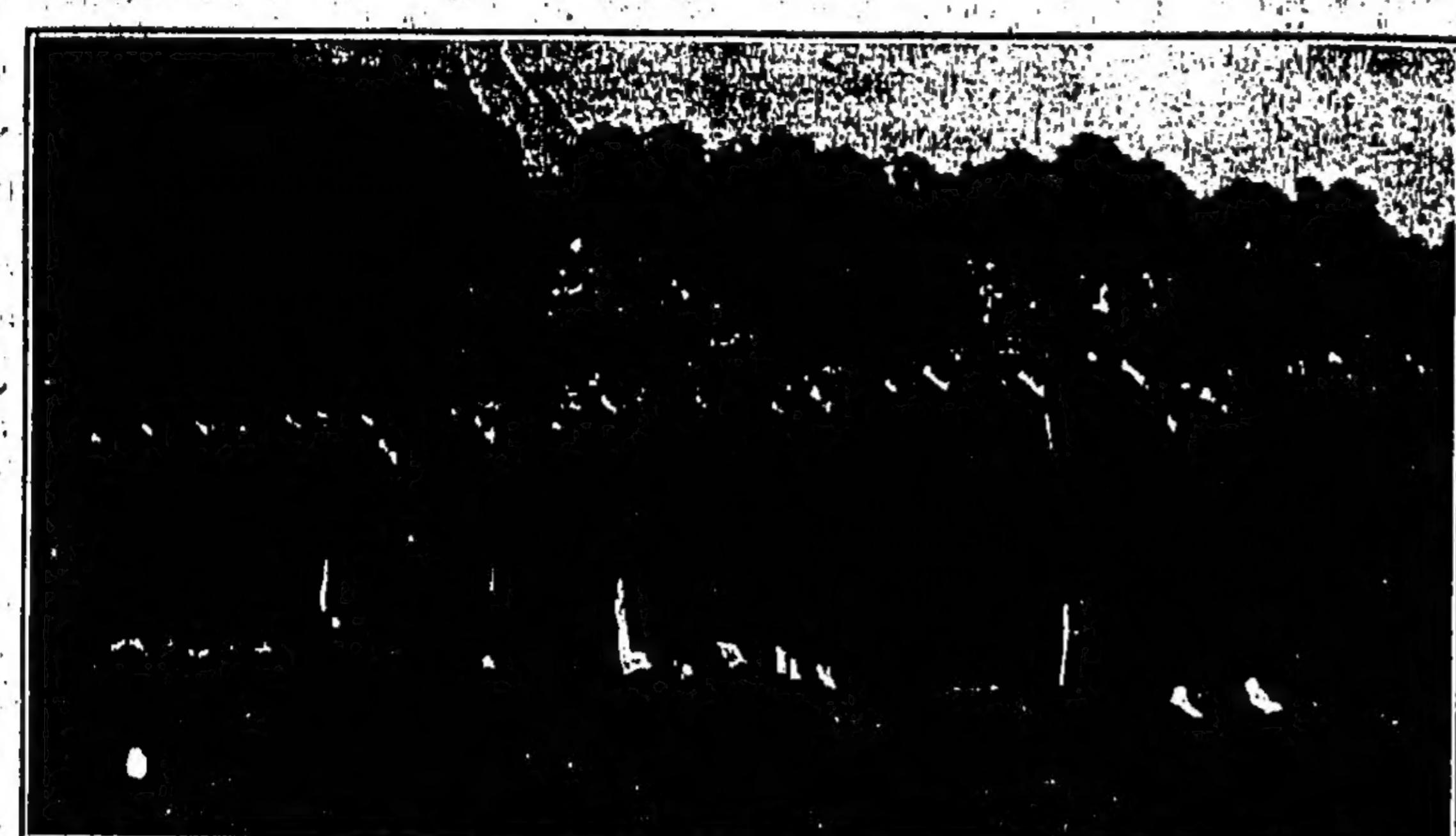
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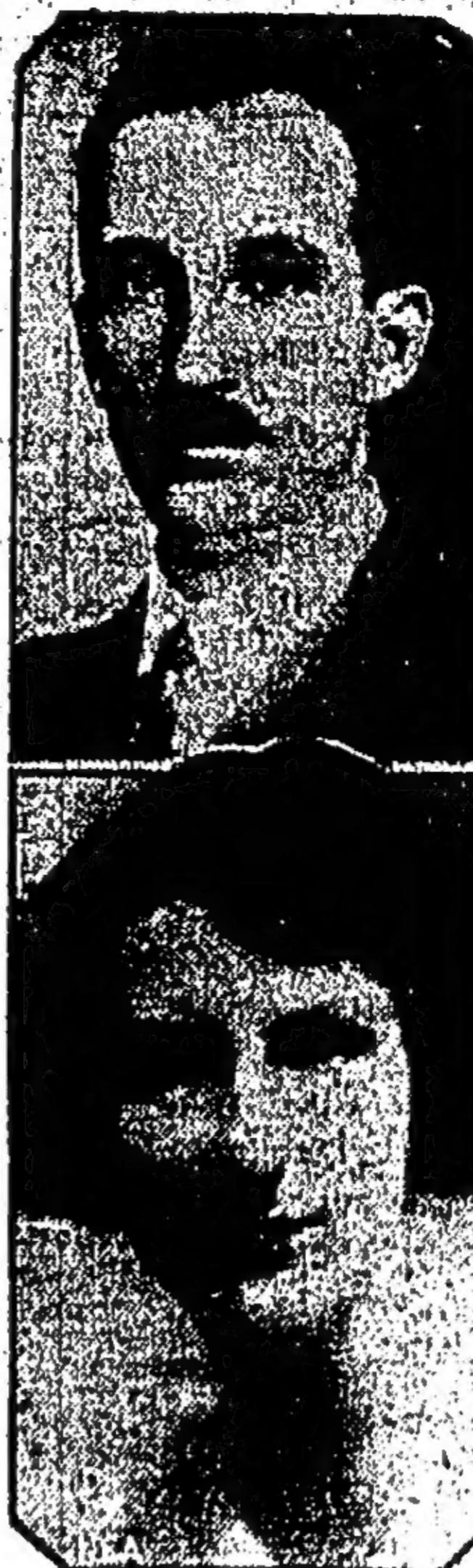
Sixty-eight students received degrees at Shanghai College this year. Of these 51 were Bachelors of Arts, 16 Bachelors of Science and one Master of Arts. Fourteen were women.



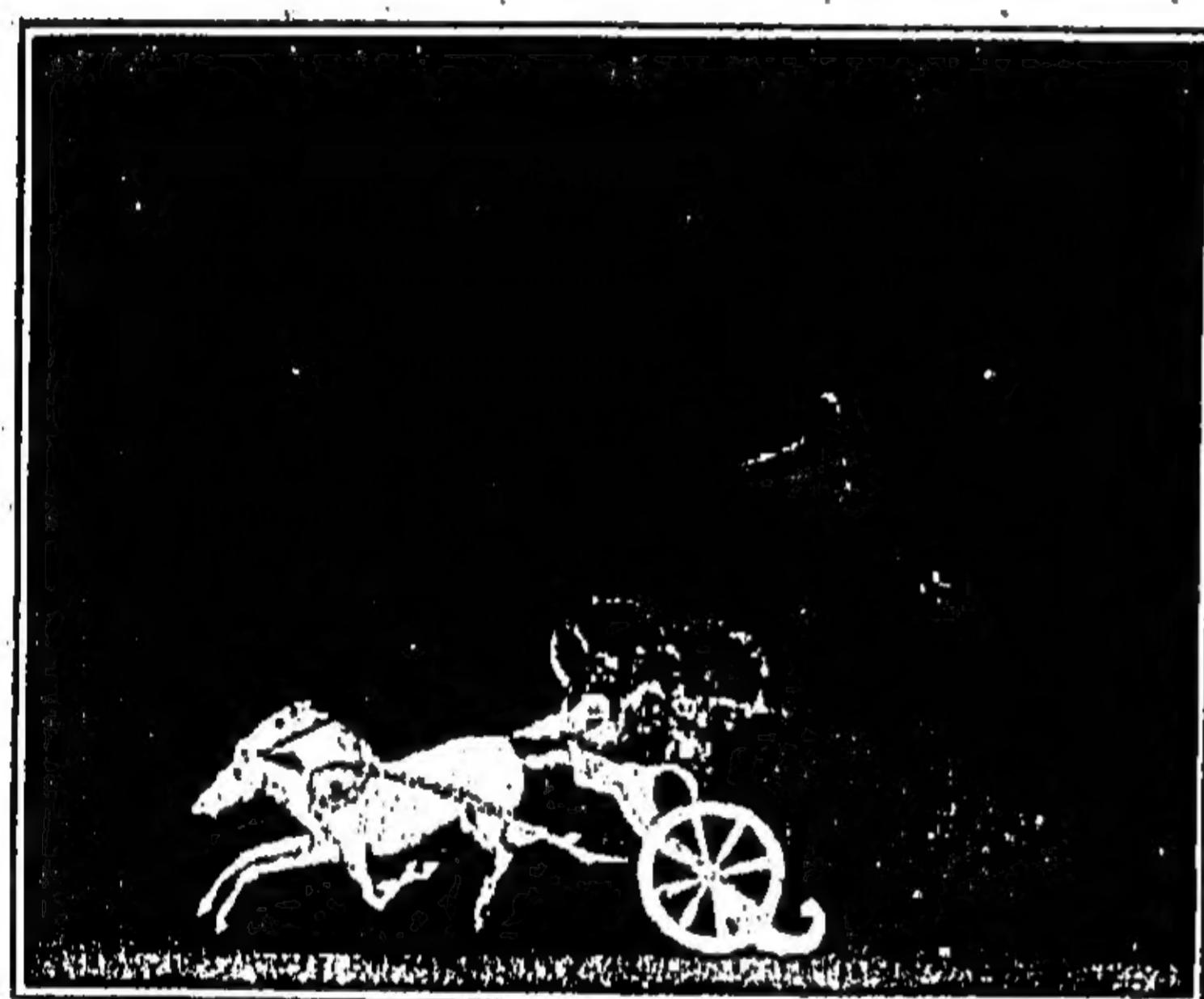
Mr. A. Ton, concert master of Shanghai Municipal Orchestra and a pupil.



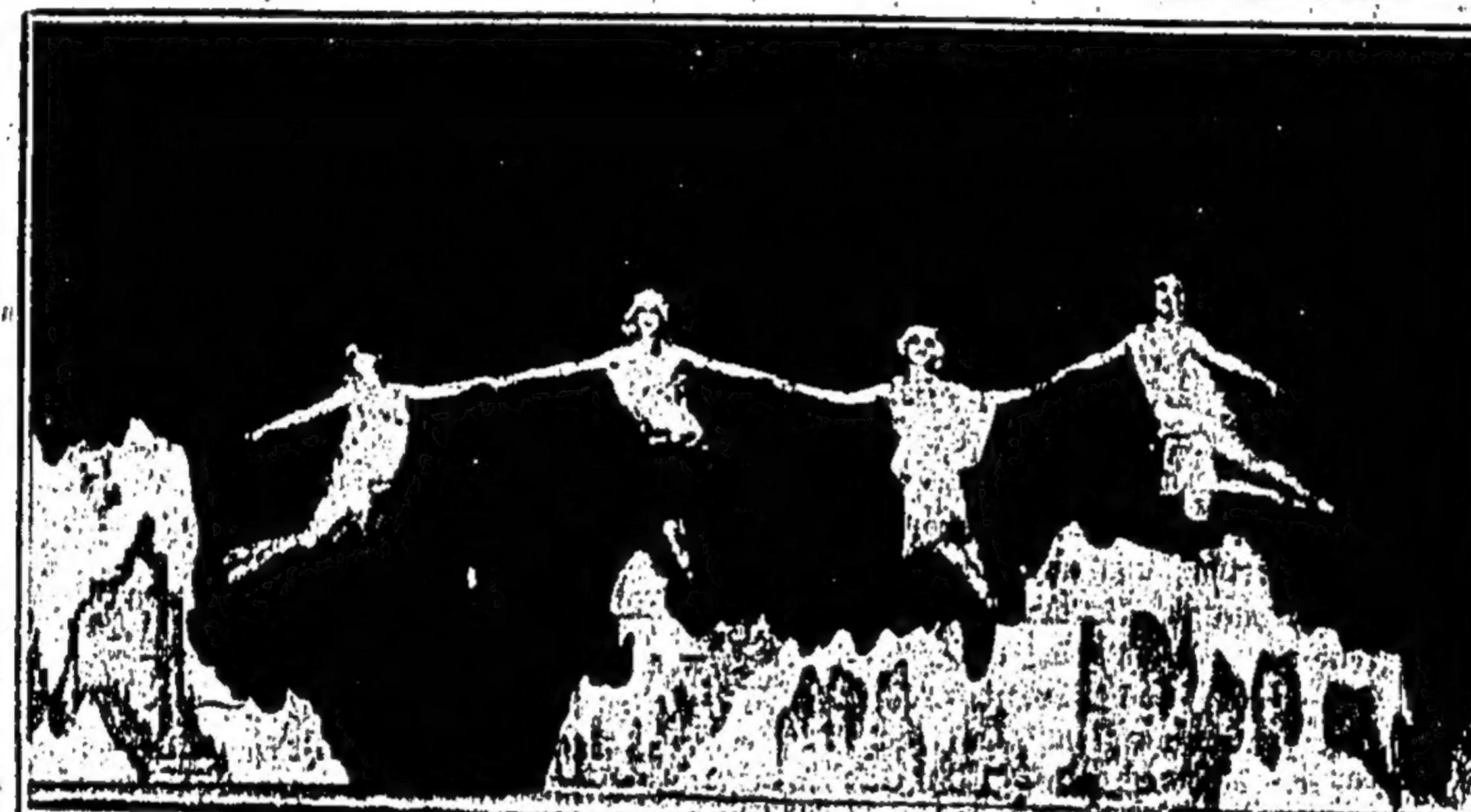
"Degree Day" at Shanghai University is illustrated above. Sixty-eight students are seen in procession in cap and gown to receive their diplomas.



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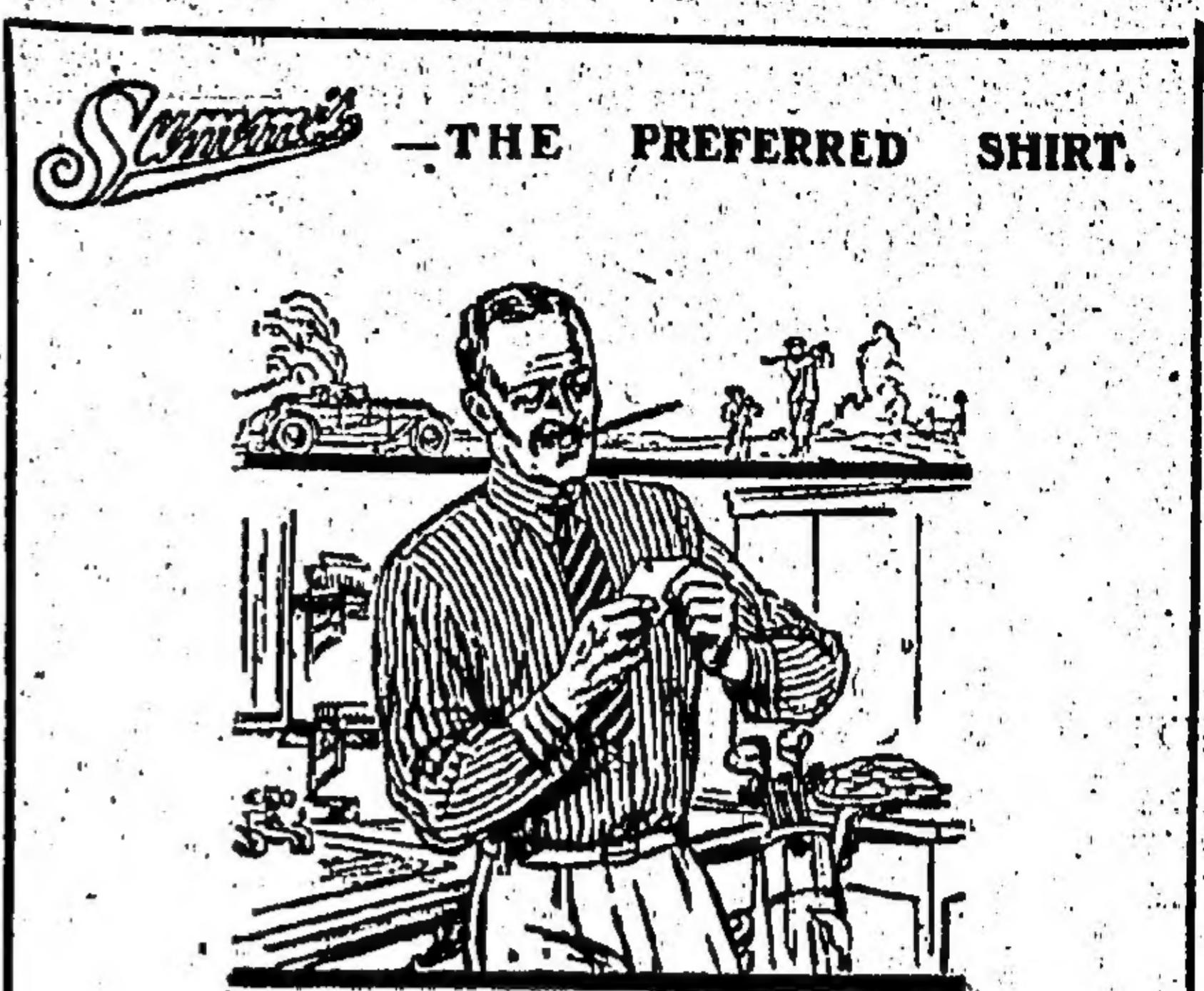
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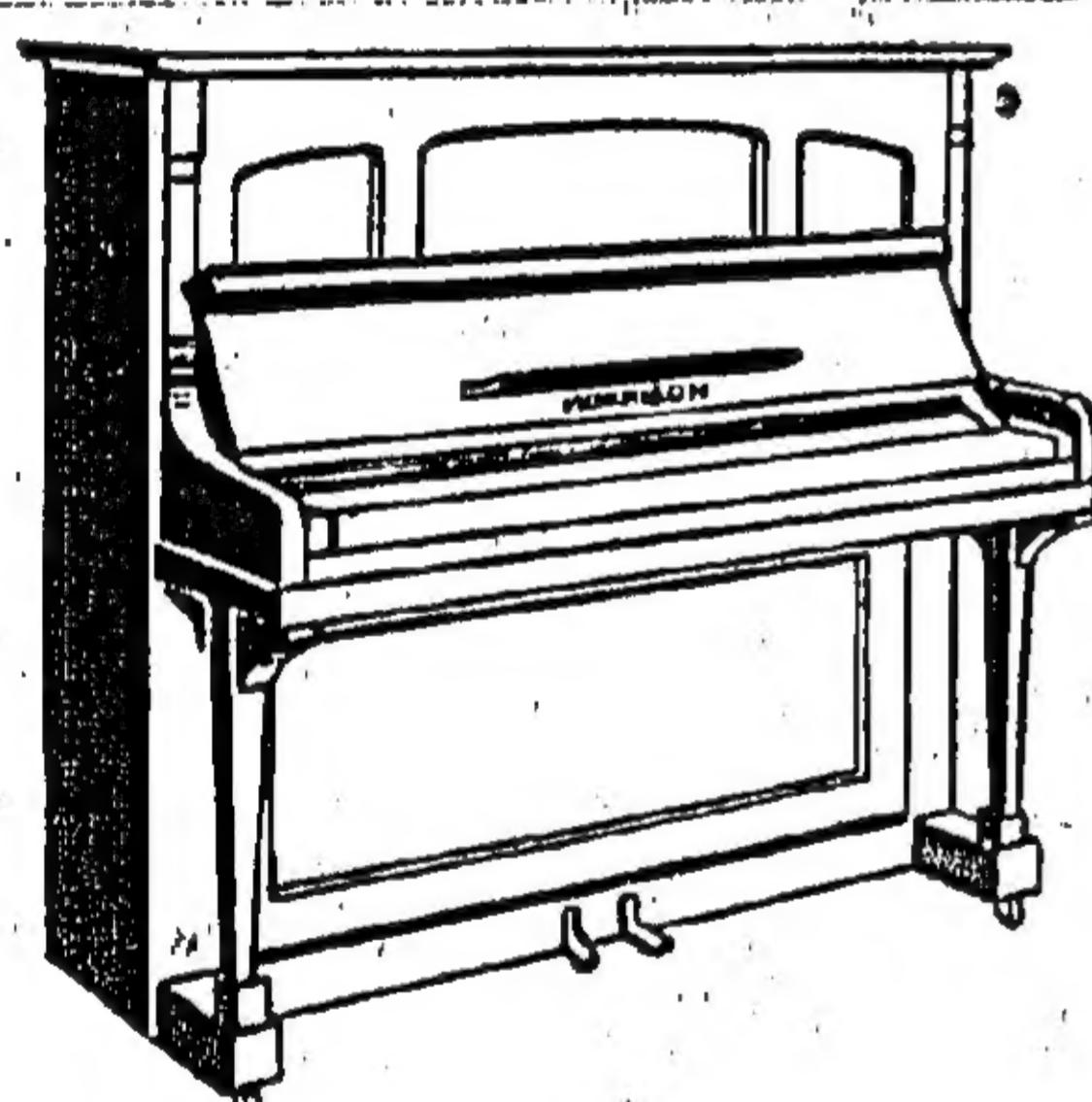
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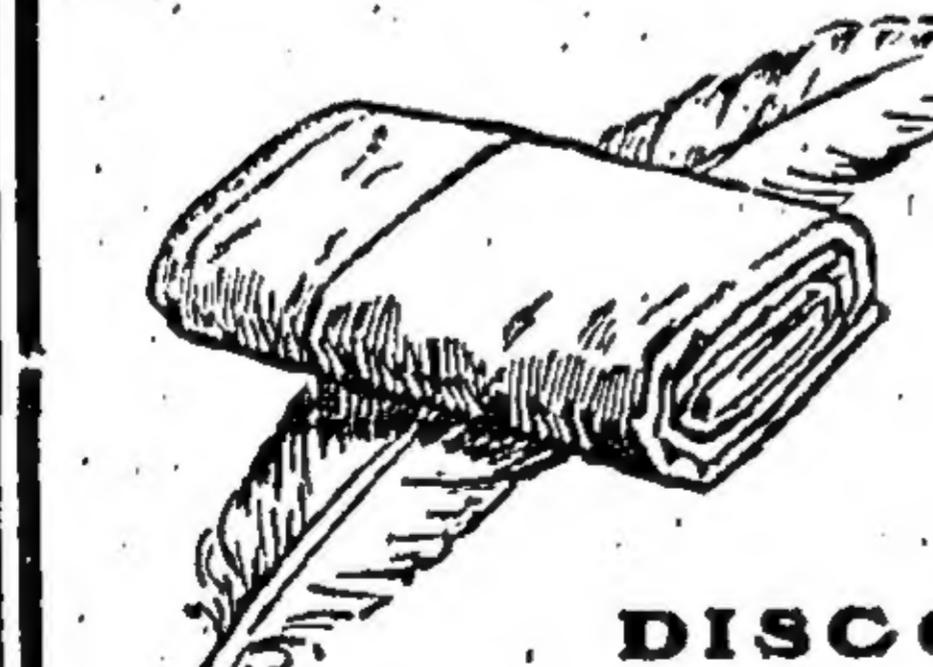
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Registration Letters 5 p.m.

Letters 6 p.m.

Hakone Maru K.P.O. Sat., July 13.

Registration July 12, 4.00 p.m.

Letters July 13, 9 a.m.

G. P. O. Registration July 13, 8.45 a.m.

Letters July 13, 9.30 a.m.

(Due Marseilles 12th August).

Straits and Calcutta Kumangang Sat., July 18.

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Loksum Sat., July 18, 2.30 p.m.

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Kwangchow Sun., July 14, 9 a.m.

Hozan Maru Sun., July 14, 9 a.m.

Canton Mon., July 15, 1.30 p.m.

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Kaga Maru Fri., July 19, 9.30 a.m.

Hai Ning Fri., July 19, 2 p.m.

Namsang Sat., July 20, 8.30 a.m.

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The whole of the material used in the contract placed by the Central Electricity Board with the General Electric Co., Ltd., for one section of the overhead transmission lines in the south-east of England, will be manufactured in Great Britain.

An official of the company stated that the contract, the value of which was approximately £500,000, would cover the erection of the 132,000 volt line in the district north of the Thames, stretching from Reading on the west, to Peterborough on the north, and Ipswich and Colchester on the east. The total mileage of the overhead transmission would be 264 miles, and the total actual length of conductor would be 1,300 miles.

The contract would be carried out by the General Electric Company with the assistance of their associated company, the Pirelli-General Cable Works, Ltd., of Southampton, the latter company carrying out all the actual erection work. The work of erection would take in all three years, and employment would be given in the actual erection work to between 500 and 1,000 men. In addition to that employment would be given to large numbers in the manufacture of the steel towers, steel aluminium conductors, insulators, and other accessories.

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WOMAN'S WORLD FOR OUR LADY READERS.



It's passe for the summer girl to try to put up a good front any more, because the back means everything, according to the newest edicts of Dame Fashion. At the left, above, is pictured the beach pyjamas to be worn with the new low cut bathing suits. The centre shows an evening dress in the new mode. To the right is a dress that is more dressy in the back than in the front.

My Ideal Wife.

A HARASSED BACHELOR EXPLAINS.

I have just read with interest and no little amazement—the descriptions by many women of their "ideal husband."

The relations were inspired by a competition, and although restricted to one hundred and fifty words, the dear ladies have managed to cram a virtue into every word, making it clear that what they want for a husband is not so much a man as a thoroughly domesticated angel!

In this article I propose to get a little of my own back by describing an ideal wife.

My ideal wife moves quietly and efficiently about the house, neither complaining of the shortcomings of the maid nor calling upon me to listen to long ramarolas about it being "too bad of the butcher to treat us like this."

She is on excellent terms with her neighbours, and yet so contrives matters that they never call upon us when we wish to be alone. She may laugh at the foibles of the people next door, but never maliciously, for she is generous in her dealings with all the world.

Although sturdily independent in thought and action my ideal wife has tact, and never asserts her independence to the peril of domestic peace.

When the sun is shining brightly, it does not outshine the radiance on her face, and when times are threatening, her smile is as radiant as ever, never becoming merely "brave." Unlike so many good wives, she does not disguise her worries, for the simple reason that she has none. Her faith is strong, and she knows full well that everything will come right in the end.

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New Novelties.

FOR THE TENNIS GIRL.

The turban sports cap is the latest style of headwear for the tennis court. It most obviously takes its inspiration from the skull cap with a cut up brim which most of us have been wearing for a season or two, but as the cap is made of woven artificial silk it is comfortable and cool in wear. The edge is a series of pleats with the folds tucking one inside the other in the correct fashion of an Eastern turban. The cap is made in various pastel and bright shades and costs three-and-eleven pence.

A new bandeau eyeshade has also made an appearance which allows for the fact that sizes in feminine heads vary. The back of the bandeau is fashioned of silk-covered elastic so that it is self-adjusting to the wearer's size. The peak of the eyeshade is, of course, lined with green to minimize eye strain.

to please me, but because she has the wonderful knack of obtaining pleasure herself from all she does.

My ideal wife is interested in my work, but her attitude towards it is never uncritical. She never praises for the sake of praise, and she never finds fault for the sake of finding fault.

She always dresses well, but she never bores me with a discussion of dress. She cooks well, but never harrows me by allowing the job to make her perspire. She talks well, but never displeases me by talking merely to hear her own voice.

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But enough! I, too, am restricted for space, and in any event, what right has a foolish old bachelor to go on writing in such strain?—JAMES O'F. DONNE. In Exchange.

The New Corset.

BACK INTO WHALEBONE AGAIN.

Eve has thrown another bomb into Harley Street. She is wearing corsets again, and her medical critics are wildly disputing their effect on her health.

Because of the revival of the Princess-dress—though it is no longer called that—a tightly fitting garment moulded closely to the figure till it reaches the knees, where it breaks out into frills and flounces, requires a tightly fitted, strongly boned foundation.

So the good old steel and whalebone corsets are being sold in again.

One specialist rejoices that the day of the rubber reducer and the elastic belt is over. "If," he said, "girls had left themselves really free there might have been something to be said for the no-corset mode, but they bought cheap, badly made elastic belts, wore them as tight as they could possibly endure, and impeded the circulation."

"Less Danger."

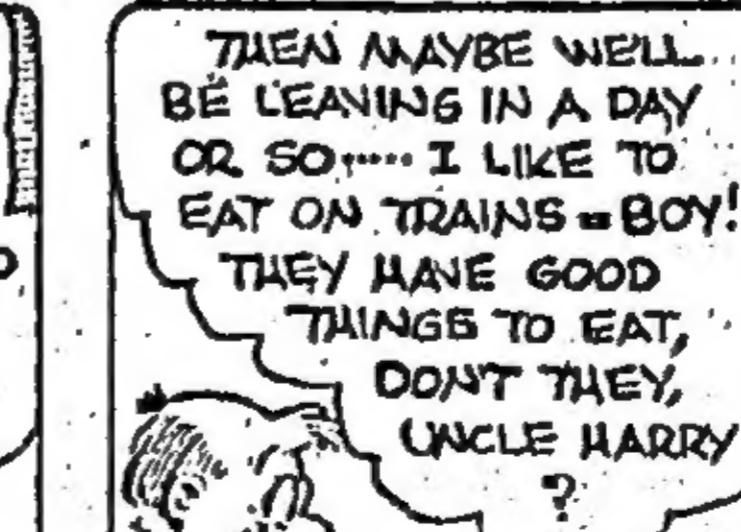
"The new corset has at least to be carefully fitted, in many cases made to order, and there is certainly less danger of serious results."

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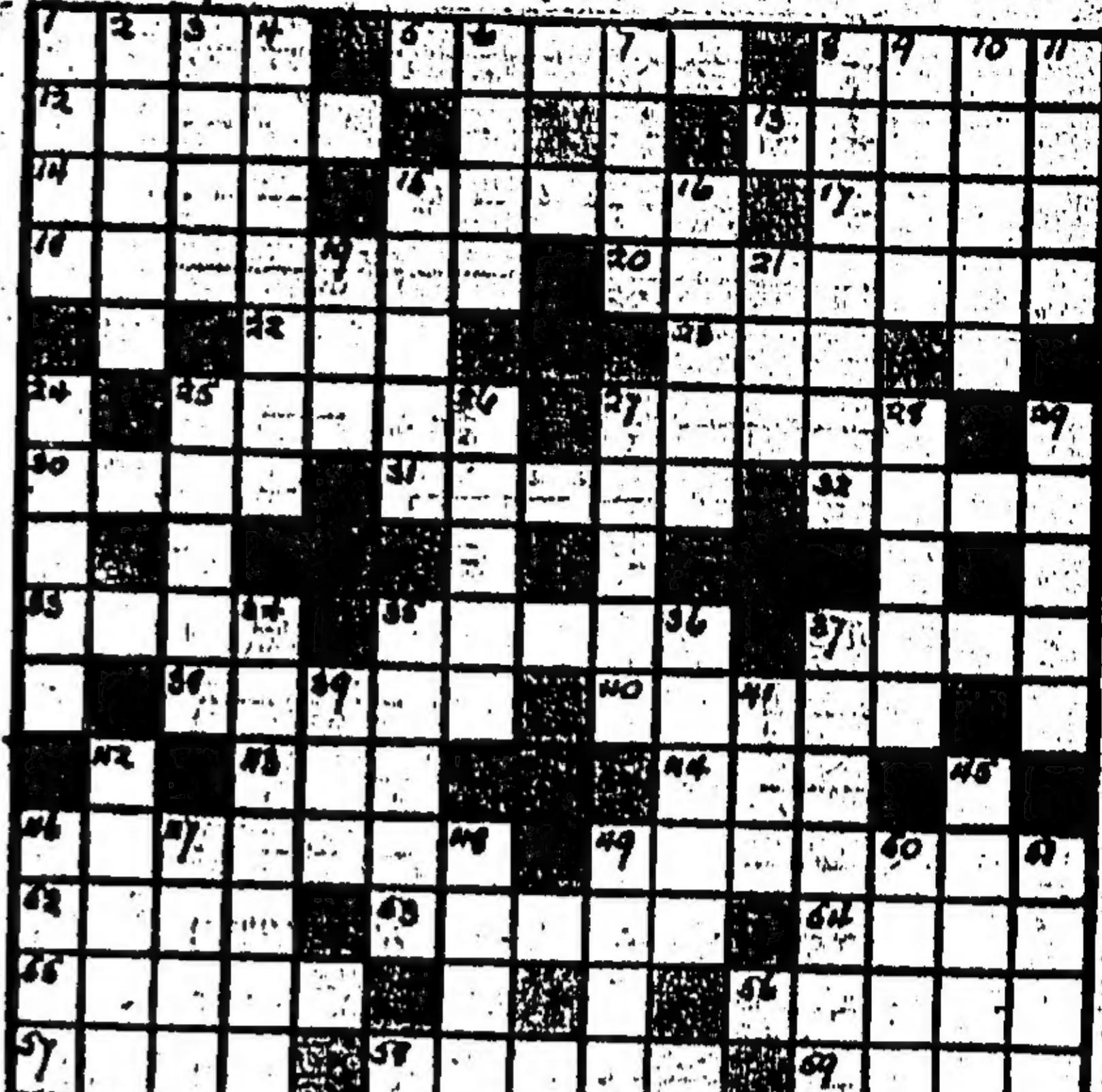
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PEANUT COMEDY.

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"How To Handle Women," which is being shown on Sunday and Monday at the Queen's Theatre, is another excellent Universal comedy.

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The adventures of a newspaper cartoonist out of a job, in trying to gain domination of a somewhat recalcitrant young lady, and in selling the unused peanut crop of a foreign country named Volgaria, is the thread of the story. After a whole lot of extremely amusing incidents, he finally sells the crop, makes money for himself and the Prince of Volgaria, and wins the love of a girl who had formerly scoffed at him.

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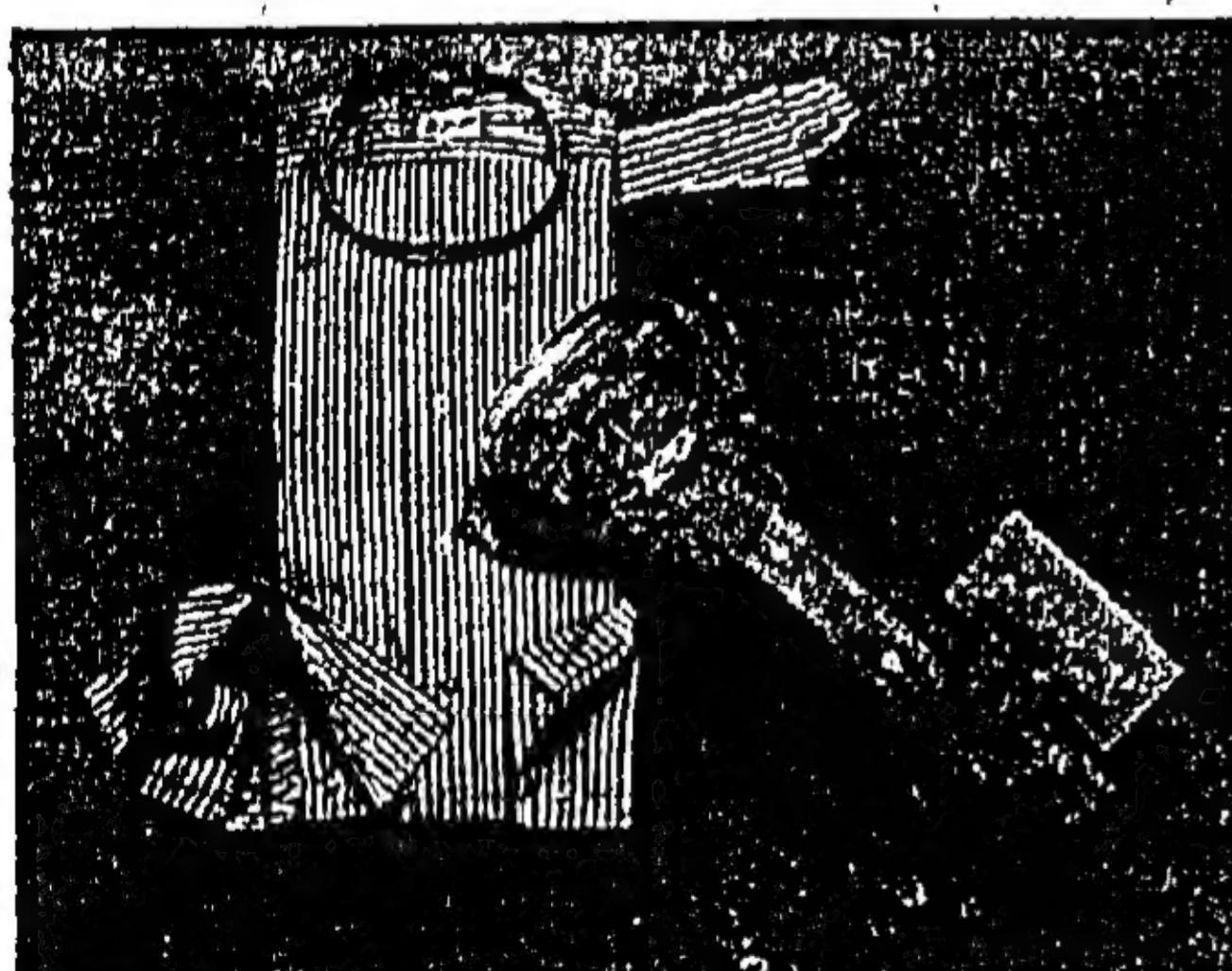
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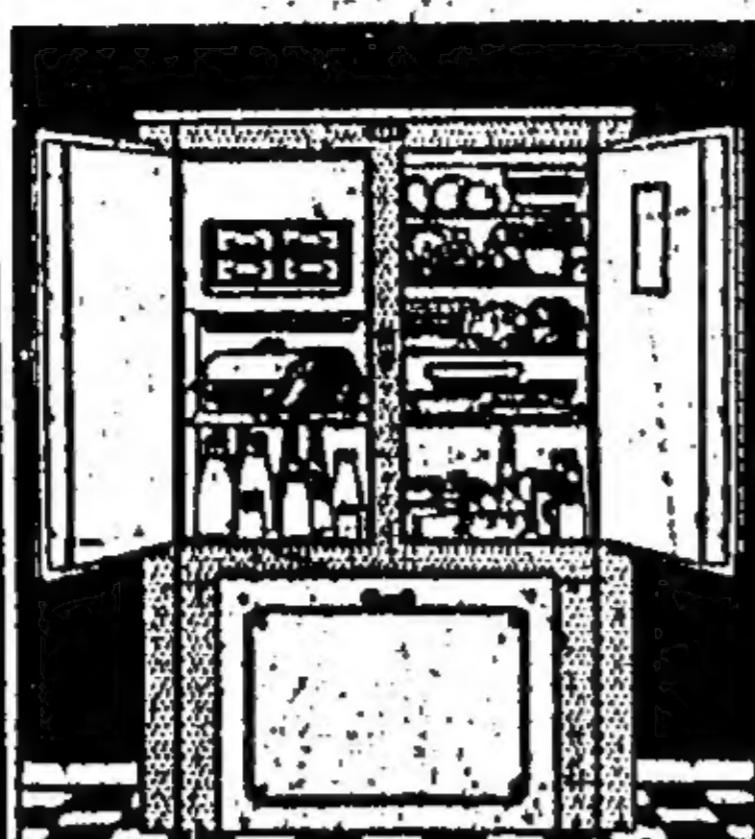
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EDUCATION.

We suppose there will always be considerable divergence of opinion concerning what constitutes true education. But if we consider education solely from the standpoint of its practical use in life—a very restricted outlook, admittedly—there will probably be found a fairly widespread agreement that present-day tendencies in the scholastic world are not assisting that end. In saying this, we do not suggest that it is in the best interests of the rising generation that they should be deprived of what might be described as the "frills" of education, but we think a case can be made out along the lines that diffusion of interest is liable, in the early stages of school life, to cause a loss of broad essentials. Much would be gained if there were greater concentration on the groundwork. Specialisation could very well be left until later years.

The question which is now concerning British educationists is whether there is not at present a danger of too many academic cooks spoiling the educational broth. Fifty years ago, the schools at home concentrated on the "three R's"—reading, writing, and arithmetic. It was a narrow discipline, and no-one could justly complain when history, geography, the natural sciences, and a language or two were added. But the process of diffusion did not stop there. Botany, geology and other sciences, with economics, civics, dancing, music, gymnastics, dramatic works, and what not else have all crept into the school syllabus. Unfortunately, however, the encroaching of the syllabus does not increase the child's capacity to receive. This point, we notice, has been taken up by a well-known English professor, who is at pains to show that the more subjects which you make the average child study, the less he knows of each of them. As he puts it, the wider you spread the educational butter, the thinner it gets. Nor is it merely that the number of subjects has increased; but the outside, semi-educational activities of the schools have immensely multiplied. The professional educator, says the authority under notice, has in the past been too squeamish of all comment on education, as if his own province were holy ground,

but the truth is that the child of to-day is asked to work harder and at a greater variety of subjects than the average adult. The result is that he does not do it. He does what he can and leaves the rest.

Coming to the point of practicality, the professor quoted says an employer has a right to expect that a boy or girl of sixteen shall be able to write concise and accurate English, command an adequate vocabulary, and spell correctly the words they use. Yet few who employ people of this age, he says, are satisfied in these requirements. What is the remedy? The idea is put forward that there should be Melchett-Turner discussions between teachers and employers for the discovery of common needs and common programmes. The faults which have developed in the educational system have, in the main, been the fruit of teachers' enthusiasm—attempts to turn learning from a long grind into a pleasant entertainment. It is here, says the authority quoted, that they have gone too far. Nothing that is worth learning can be learnt without effort. In all spheres, there are periods when progress can only be gained by close and difficult application.

To sum up this professor's conclusions, it will little profit a lad going out into life if he can dance the "Shepherd's Hey," but cannot write and understand straightforward English. He adds that the mass of the world's useful work is done by people who have no fancy accomplishments, but have at least mastered the "three R's."

Water Proposals.

The Government has wasted no time, since dropping a hint at Monday's meeting of the Water Emergency Committee, in developing its proposals for charging every user of water from the meters for every gallon of water used. The legislation necessary for this purpose is already in hand and we have it officially that a Bill giving effect to the decision will be introduced very shortly. Very little room is left for uncertainty up to this point. When, however, we come to examine the reasons for the impost, and its possible effects, the story runs rather differently.

The Colonial Secretary has stated that there is no question of increasing the Colony's revenues,

and we are left to the presumption that the author or authors of the scheme have been actuated

solely by the thought that the metered-users enjoy an advantage over others in the tank-and-tin districts, and should not be excluded from the additional household expenses entailed in many homes by the water shortage. It is also suggested that the metered-users are more wasteful than other consumers, but it is hardly necessary for us to point out that not a tittle of evidence has been produced in support of this suggestion. The Government attitude in this matter alone is difficult to understand. It must be perfectly easy to give figures of water consumption through the meters, covering normal times and this period of shortage. It might conceivably be that their quotation would offer a strong case for the new charges proposed, but until they are forthcoming, we cannot honestly support the Government in hurrying to give the force of law to a theory. There are many other aspects which we cannot go into thoroughly, and we need deal with two only. In the first place, there is the difficulty of apportionment. A large number of meters are installed on premises used as flats, one meter registering the consumption for the whole building. The landlord will naturally insist that his tenants pay for the water they use, but the question of dividing the gross amount will offer a pretty problem, and possibly a cause of dispute. The position has also to be faced that the new charges will throw an increasing burden on industry. The Government, we are of opinion, is accepting unnecessary responsibility in taking such a decision at this time, particularly as the new charges may operate for a few months only.

The time will come when the whole problem of water rates and distribution will have to be thoroughly explored, and until then, we would suggest, it is advisable to hesitate before taking such a controversial step.

DAY BY DAY.

IT WOULD BE WELL FOR US ALL TO REMEMBER THAT OUR WORDS AND ACTIONS, AYE, AND OUR THOUGHTS ALSO, ARE SET UPON NEVER-STOPPING WHEELS.—M. M. Brewster.

Another Chinese case of typhoid was notified yesterday.

The P. & O. s.s. Kidderpore, from Singapore, is due here at noon on the 16th instant.

Paymr. Mid. W. J. Farrell has been appointed to H.M.S. Suffolk and J. A. Angus to H.M.S. Cornwall.

Stoker Petty Officer George Smith, of H.M.S. Suffolk, has been selected to undergo the course for mechanician.

The local office of the Nederlandse Indische Handelsbank have received news from the Amsterdam head office to the effect that a dividend of 10% for the year 1928 has been declared.

It has been approved for H.M.S. Medway, the new submarine depot-ship completing at Barrow, to commission with an entirely new crew when ready. The original intention that the crew of H.M.S. Titania, depot-ship for submarines on the China Station, should turn over to the Medway has been abandoned.

THE FOREIGN LEGION.

SPLENDID FILM SHOWING AT THE QUEEN'S.

All the essentials of a first-class film are to be found in "The Foreign Legion," now showing at the Queen's Theatre. This is a picture which we can thoroughly recommend to our readers.

There is romance, suspense, a well-devised plot, exceptionally good acting, and splendid photography. The story has to do with a young Englishman who shoulders the blame for the action of his husband of his former fiancee, enlists in the Foreign Legion, and whilst on service in Algiers again encounters his former sweetheart and her sister. Events move towards a stirring climax when the young Legionnaire is court-martialed and sentenced to death by his own father, the identity of the two being unknown until the conclusion of the trial. All comes out right in the end, with the hero finding happiness with his very last flicker of the reel.

Lewis Stone takes the rôle of the Colonel who sentences his own son, and he has seldom, if ever, been seen in finer form. His acting is all that could be desired. Norman Kerry as the son is also splendid, whilst Mary Nolan plays the heartless blonde just as she should be played, and June Marlowe is good as the heroine. A News Reel and a Krazy Kat comedy go to complete a most entertaining programme.

BOAT ROBBERY SEQUEL.

QUESTION OF JURISDICTION ARISES.

A robbery committed on board a boat off Sau Chau Island on July 2 was recalled at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when a Chinese was charged before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith with being concerned in the affair.

Detective Sub-Inspector Dorling applied for a week's formal remand, and, in reply to his Worship, who asked whether the case would be committed, said that the police were not yet in a position to say whether they were able to carry on with the case. It was pointed out that it was not known whether the scene of the crime was in British or Chinese waters.

The defendant was accordingly remanded for one week for further enquiries.

EXCHANGE RATES.

London, July 11.	
Paris	129.025
Geneva	25.225
Bern	20.365
Oslo	18.205
Helsingfors	19.234
Athens	375
Buenos Aires	474
Hongkong	71/11
Amsterdam	12.075
Stockholm	18.095
Vienna	34.495
Bucharest	819
Bombay	1/25.82
Yokohama	1/10.4
Brussels	34.91
Milan	62.745
Copenhagen	18.215
Prague	104
Lisbon	1084
Rio	57
Shanghai	24.8/10
Silver Spot and Forward	British Wireless Service

21 YEARS AGO.

SOME EXTRACTS FROM THE "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following items are from the Hongkong Telegraph for the week ended July 11th, 1908:

The rate of the dollar on demand was £1.916/16d.

Hongkong collections for relief of distress due to floods in the West River district totalled \$199,000.

The proposed transfer to the Government of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund aroused considerable discussion, and a meeting of contributors was suggested.

The Rev. Bro. Stephen left St. Joseph's College after twelve

The Very Idea!

One of the New York newspapers has printed a glossary of 1929 American slang which makes reading it like taking it on the "up-and-down" which means "in good faith." Certainly the American language is more expressive than our own. We may talk of flirting, but we have never thought of calling it "Garbo Gilberting," and while we do speak of lounge-lizards we have never before heard gentlemen who linger in hotel entrances referred to as "lallygaggers" or "bell-polishers."

Local gossip in 1929 slang becomes "clothes-line," and "canned heat" is one name for Prohibition liquor, while "giggle water" is another. Officers entrusted with the enforcement of the Volstead Act are known as "cellar smellers," and those rollicking cowboy films of the Wild West are alluded to as "horse-operas." Some of these expressions are so overpowering that one feels inclined to go into the gazebo, which is the U. S. A. way of saying that one becomes unconscious. Just one more. The head of a firm is known as the "big yes-and-no man." How much more expressive than the governor or the boss!

"I'm going to call my garage 'The Half Way Inn'!"

"Why?"

"Because that's the way my wife parks the car."

[It is proposed to have a Detective Course at Chicago University.]

There are lectures and debates for the students in the States, and he leaves the university endowed.

With the culture he requires, and the knowledge he desires.

To enable him to rise above the crowd.

But it surely would be wise for a youth to specialise.

And of crime solution find the master key.

By authoritative books on detection, clues and crooks.

And, when graduating, take a Third Degree.

Counsel: "What happened after the prisoner gave you a blow?"

Witness: "He gave me a third one."

Counsel: "You mean a second one?"

Witness: "No, I gave the second one."

A Hampstead reader sends to a Home paper the following answer given by a schoolgirl in an examination paper: "Christianity was introduced into England by the Romans in 54 B.C."

Surprise was expressed by Mr. Ronald Powell, the West London Magistrate, when Detective Pick, producing a cardboard box 12 inches square, stated that it contained forty-three women's dresses.

Mr. Powell: "What?"

Forty-three dresses in that box?"

Detective Pick: "Yes."

The box was an exhibit in a charge of shop-breaking.

The "smallies" will follow the "talkies," we are told, with the news of an invention which will permit the movie set flower garden to throw off fragrance, or permit us to sniff the voluptuous incense burned in the vamp's boudoir.

Verily, verily, there is no end to what the gods send us, whether we want their gifts or not!

"I want the grey-striped trousers," said the magnate to his valet.

"I'm afraid the moths have eaten 'em, sir."

"Dear me, I hope the buttons won't give them indigestion."

WATER LEVELS.

FOR WEST, NORTH AND EAST RIVERS.

The following table, compiled by the Board of Conservancy Works of Kwangtung, shows the water levels in English feet on the dates named:

	July 10	July 11

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REDUCING CHINA'S ARMIES.

ANOTHER DISBANDMENT CONFERENCE?

CHIANG AND PEKING.

Peking, July 11.

To effect further curtailment of the Manchurian and North-western China armies, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek intends shortly to call another disbandment conference at Nanking.

It is announced in Nanking official circles that the Nanking Government will charge General Chang Hsueh-liang with the full responsibility of carrying out the demobilisation orders. It is the desire of the Central Authorities that the Manchurian army shall not exceed 150,000 men or ten Divisions, and then suggest that the demobilised troops should be sent to the Siberian frontier for work in connexion with industrial and colonial development.

North-Western Disbandment.

Regarding disbandment in North-western China, the Central Government will adhere to decisions of the recent Chiang-Yen conference in Peking. The army in Shansi, Suiyuan and Chihli will be cut down to 11 Divisions, including the present garrison troops at Peking and Tientsin, while the Kuomintang units under Feng Yu-hsien in Kansu, Honan, and Shensi will be cut down to 12 Divisions.

Reconstructing Peking.

The Central Government has decided to dispatch a monthly contribution of \$50,000 to the Peking Provincial Government for the sole purpose of reconstructing the many historical buildings, including a few of the most beautiful former palaces of the Manchu Dynasty, in Peking.

With reference to the future of Peking, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek recently stated that despite the urge of the bankers and merchants in Peking, he could see no reason why the National Government should abandon Nanking and the Nationalist plan to develop Nanking as the capital. Chiang added that the Peking merchants merely view the question from the personal financial stand point, while the Government had to consider the geographical, financial, military and communication advantages.

Commenting on the North China situation, Chiang said that his conference with Yen Hsi-shan and Chang Hsueh-liang was most satisfactory. Both had pledged their loyalty to and support of his regime.

The Harbin Coup.

Peking, July 11. General Chang Hsueh-liang's hurried departure appears to be explained by news reaching here from Harbin this morning that it is reported that at the orders of the Manchurian Communications Committee, the Chinese have taken over the Central Telegraph and the Chinese Eastern Telegraph and Telephone, and closed the Soviet Railway Committee, the Soviet Trade Unions and the Soviet Naphtha Syndicate, in addition to which many prominent Russian railway officials have been arrested. —Reuter.

Japan Watching.

Tokyo, July 11. While comment on the latest Chinese coup at Harbin is withheld pending receipt of official despatches, official circles admit that they are watching developments closely and intimate that it is feared that if the Chinese recover the Chinese Eastern Railway they will then turn their attention to the recovery of the South Manchurian Railway.

The conference between Dr. C. T. Wang and General Chang Hsueh-liang on diplomatic problems in Manchuria, is also attracting keen attention, as there is reported to be indications that the result will be unfavourable to Japan. —Reuter.

Railway Control.

Harbin, July 11. The Soviet General Manager, Assistant General Manager and all Soviet heads of departments, and a hundred others in the Chinese Eastern Railway, were dismissed to-day.

Fan Tai-kuang has been appointed in charge of the whole railway administration. —Reuter.

On making enquiries this morning, we learn that Mr. L. M. Whyte, who was recently operated on at the French Hospital, is still in a very serious condition.

AIR FLIGHTS OVER DARDANELLES.

SOVIET SEEKING TURKEY'S PERMISSION.

Constantinople, July 11.

The Soviet Government has requested Turkey to authorise a Soviet Air Squadron to fly over the Dardanelles on the occasion of the forthcoming visit to Italy, in return for the Italian seaplane squadron's visit to the Black Sea.

It will be recalled that on Monday the Secretary-General of the League of Nations communicated without comment, to the Council and the Powers signatory to the Straits Convention and members of the League the text of a letter, dated June 20, from the President of the Straits Commission in Constantinople, calling attention to the recent flight of 34 Italian naval seaplanes over the Bosphorus and Dardanelles in violation of the Straits Convention.

A ruling was requested as regards the exact reading of the Convention so as to avoid future

THE ANGLO-AMERICAN CONVERSATIONS.

Premier and Gen. Dawes Meet Again.

FRESH DISCUSSIONS.

London, July 11. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald this afternoon received General Dawes, the U.S. Ambassador, in his private room at the House of Commons.

The meeting, which lasted several hours, was a renewal of the Lossiemouth conversation.—Reuter.

JOCKEY HURLED INTO CROWD.

SPECTATOR INJURED IN ASCOT MISFAP.

Ascot, June 18. The Ascot Stakes, the second event in to-day's programme, was marred by an accident which occurred unknown to most of the crowd.

As the horses were taking the second bend of the course, Mount Hawke, whose owner is Mr. Hunter Simmonds, stumbled and fell.

The jockey, George Brown, was shot off the saddle, and thrown right over the rails into the crowd on the Heath side of the course.

Remarkable Escape.

He fell on top of one of the spectators, Mr. Frederick Bond, of Ewell, who was thrown by the force of the fall several yards away. An ambulance was rushed to the spot, and both the men were taken to the emergency hospital on the course.

Brown had sprained an ankle, and Mr. Bond was suffering from concussion.

One of the spectators said he was afraid that the jockey would be killed. "His horse was going so quickly, and he was hurled over at such a speed that we did not see how anything could save him." —Reuter.

THE OPTIONAL CLAUSE SIGNATURE.

LABOUR CONSULTING THE DOMINIONS.

London, July 11. In the House of Commons to-day, the Foreign Secretary was asked to make an announcement regarding the Labour Government's policy on the Optional Clause.

Mr. Hugh Dalton, the Under-Secretary, said that the Government were in consultation with the Dominions' Governments and the Government of India on the subject of the signing of the Optional Clause.

The further policy of the Government in the field of arbitration was at present under consideration. —British Wireless.

RAILWAY WAGES REDUCTION.

UNIONS GIVE NOTICE TO COMPANIES.

London, July 11. A conference of the Executives of the three Railway Unions has decided to give three months' notice to the Railway Companies to terminate the agreement for a reduction of 2½ per cent. in wages. —Reuter.

BATCH OF TRAFFIC CASES.

DEFENDANT WHO HAD GONE TO LONDON.

LORRY JOY-RIDE.

"I am only representing the defendant in this case," said a Chinese to Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Central Magistracy this morning, when the name of another Chinese was called to answer a charge of dangerous driving.

Defendant's representative went on to say that the defendant had already gone to London to continue his studies, leaving here some time ago by the a.s. President Harrison. He did not know whether the defendant was guilty or not, but he had just come up to the Court to say that the defendant was not in the Colony.

Inspector Nicol informed his Worship that when the defendant left the Colony he should have deposited his licence at the traffic office, but this he failed to do.

Remarking that he could not do anything as the defendant was not in Hongkong, his Worship recommended that the licensee be cancelled.

Hurrying to Doctor.

Charged with speeding the driver of a private car gave as his excuse that his master, on the day of the alleged offence, was in a hurry to see the doctor, as he was not well.

"Is your master all right now?" asked his Worship.

"Yes," was the answer.
"What's his name?"
"Wong Wo."

Turning to Inspector Nicol, his Worship asked "What's his record like?"

Inspector Nicol said the defendant was not a bad driver, having committed no offence this year. A fine of \$5 was imposed.

An Ambitious Driver.

A Chinese who held an ordinary driver's licence thought he would go one better by driving a motor lorry. He very foolishly magnified his own importance and could not resist the temptation to attract attention to the fact that he was driving a lorry and not an ordinary motor car. He accordingly sounded his horn at the slightest provocation, thereby probably satisfying himself that he was not only a careful driver but one above the ordinary all well.

If he had set out to attract attention, he achieved his purpose for, besides drawing the attention of pedestrians and fellow-drivers, he found that a police officer was also interested in him, with the result that he was charged before his Worship on two counts, (1) driving a lorry without a proper licence and (2) sounding his horn unnecessarily.

His Worship, however, found that defendant had quite a good record, not having been convicted since July, 1928. Owing to this fact, the charge of sounding his horn unnecessarily was dismissed, but he was fined \$5 for driving the lorry without a proper licence.



"Darling Esther: As I sit thinking of you and gazing into empty space."

SECOND MARRIAGE CEREMONY.

AN IDLE FORM. SAYS DIVORCE JUDGE.

The emphatic refusal, by Mr. Justice Hill, in the Divorce Court, to, in his own words "assist people who lie," was the feature of a case in which was mentioned a secret marriage.

The judge had granted a decree nisi to Mr. Henry Melville Urescott Hewett, merchant, of Clive-road, Calcutta, on his undivided petition for a divorce from his wife, Mrs. Mary Nina Catherine Beatrice Hewett, on account of her misconduct with Louis Dupin, naval lieutenant.

A Second Ceremony.

The parties were secretly married on October 15, 1916, at St. Stephen's, South Kensington, and afterwards went through a second marriage ceremony at St. Paul's Knightsbridge, on January 25, 1921.

It was when Mr. Bayford, K.C., for Mr. Hewett, asked that the second marriage ceremony might be referred to in the decree that the judge voiced his refusal.

"They had been married two years," he added. "If people go through a second ceremony, it is their own lookout. It is not a marriage, and could not be a marriage. I am not going to dissolve an idle form."

Mr. Bayford: Will your lordship allow it to be stated in the decree: "who subsequently went through a ceremony on such and such a date." That would make things right so far as the Registry is concerned.

The Judge: No. If they want that got rid of, they must ask for a declaration of nullity.

WHERE THE WORLD SEEKS CAPITAL.

EUROPE DOING ITS OWN FINANCING.

New York, June 3. The interim report of the Foreign Securities Committee of the Investment Bankers' Association, just published here, says that the heavy decline in foreign financing done in the United States during recent months and the increase in British, foreign, and overseas offerings point to the possibility that the United States may not in the future dominate the international capital market to the extent that it did during the decade following the war.

The Committee say that foreign financing in the United States during 1928 amounted to \$1,426,000,000 (\$286,200,000), being second only to 1927 of \$1,523,000,000 (\$318,600,000).

An examination of foreign securities offerings during each of the four quarters reveals, however, that about \$1,049,000,000 (\$209,800,000), or over 73 per cent. of the total, was issued during the first quarter of 1928. The decline continued during that first quarter of 1929, the total in foreign offerings being only \$274,000,000 (\$44,800,000), which was below that of the fourth quarter of 1928. The Committee points out that British, foreign, and overseas financing rose from \$48,000,000 (£93,600,000) in 1925 to about \$767,000,000 (£153,400,000,80) in 1928.

These revisions bring the F.M.S. into line with the Colony and involve slight increases all round.

INCREASE OF F.M.S. DUTIES.

INTO LINE WITH STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.

LUXURY TAXES UP.

A supplement to the F.M.S. Government Gazette contains a notification to the effect that from the 1st instant duties have been raised in the F.M.S. on liquors, tobacco, matches, tin, petrol, rubber, fish, and other agricultural mineral, forest and miscellaneous products.

The supplement details the new import duties, principal among which are the following:

Brandy, whisky, rum, gin, etc., \$1 per proof gallon.

As above, if imported in bottle and not exceeding 81 per cent. of proof spirit, \$8 per gallon.

Sparkling wines not exceeding 42 per cent. of proof spirit, \$6 per gallon.

Still wines 26 to 42 per cent. of proof spirit \$3.50 per gallon.

Still wines not exceeding 26 per cent. of proof spirit, \$1 per gallon.

Beers \$1 per gallon.

Petroleum other than petrol, 10 cents per gallon.

Petrol, 15 cents per gallon.

Cigars and snuff, \$1.30 per pound.

Cigarettes, 90 cents per pound.

Unmanufactured tobacco, 20 cents per pound.

Manufactured tobacco not above provided for, 90 cents per pound.

The duty on matches, alum salts, salsify, bitters and liqueurs has also been increased.

The export duty on tin smelted or manufactured from tin-ore won in the F.M.S. is \$10 per bhara when the price of tin does not exceed \$41 per picul and an increase of 50 cents per bhara for every dollar by which the price of tin exceeds \$41. On tin-ore it is 72 per cent. of the duty on tin, with, in the case of tin-ore exported otherwise than under such guarantees as the Chief Secretary may require that it shall be smelted in the Straits Settlements, Australia or the United Kingdom, an additional duty of \$30 per picul.

Export duty on rubber will be as follows:—

Under 30 cents per pound, 1 per cent.

30-32 cents, 1½ per cent.

32-33 cents, 1¾ per cent.

33-34 cents, 2 per cent.

34-35 cents, 2¼ per cent.

\$1.50 or over, 3 per cent.

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CHINA COAST OFFICERS.

LATEST TRANSFERS AND PROMOTIONS.

Mr. W. Dickson, chief officer, Kanchow, is on reserve. Mr. J. S. Turnbull, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Kanchow.

Mr. G. T. M. Ramsay, second officer, Linan, has gone second officer, Nanjing.

Mr. H. D. Taylor, from reserve, has gone second officer, Nanchang.

Mr. V. A. Ginter, extra second officer, Hsin Peking, is on Home leave.

Mr. W. D. Cashel, from reserve, has gone second officer, Kialing.

Mr. B. C. Finch, chief officer, Tatung, is on reserve. Mr. R. K. Stott, chief officer, Shansi, has gone chief officer, Tatung. Mr. T. J. Thomas, second officer, Sinkiang, has gone chief officer, Shansi.

Mr. E. R. Graham, from reserve, has gone second officer, Sinkiang.

Mr. T. A. Ellis, chief officer, Sinkiang, has gone chief officer, Hsin Peking.

Mr. A. G. Cooke, second officer, Fatshan, has resigned. Mr. W. T. D. Murphy, second officer, Hulchow, has gone second officer, Fatshan.

Mr. H. V. Steer, second officer, Hui-chow. Mr. S. S. Marr, second officer, Sinkiang, has gone second officer, Anking.

Mr. I. Callendar, chief engineer officer, Ninghai, is on reserve. Mr. E. J. Eason, chief engineer officer, Kin-tang, has gone chief engineer officer, Ninghai.

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SHAMEEN SWIMMING GALA.

ENJOYABLE FUNCTION IN CLUB KATH.

Shameen, July 11. A very successful swimming gala was held last evening by the Canton Swimming Bath Club, being thoroughly enjoyed by competitors and spectators alike.

The gala produced some really excellent swimming and diving. R. Rasmussen broke the Club record for two lengths, covering the distance in 29 secs. M. Gavin gave a brilliant display of diving.

The first event on the programme was the Two Lengths Free Style Handicap. This was swum off in two heats.

First heat: R. Rasmussen 1st, 44 secs. (nett time 29 secs.); G. S. Moss 2nd, 44 1/5 secs. (nett time 44 1/5 secs.). Also swan M. Gavin, L. Werner, and E. H. Shekury.

Second Heat: O. Friesner 1st, 45. 2/5 secs. (nett time 42 2/5 secs.); E. Dormanns 2nd, 45. 3/5 secs. (nett time 30 3/5 secs.). Also swam, Miss Dorothy Page.

The final for this event was swum off later in the evening. R. Rasmussen being 1st, 44. 4/5 secs. (nett time 29. 4/5 secs.) and G. S. Moss 2nd, 45. 4/5 secs. (nett time 45 secs.).

For the One Length Novices Handicap, there were only three entries, the result being:—M. Habicht 1st, 24 secs. (nett time 22 secs.); R. D. Walcott 2nd, 26 secs. (nett time 21 secs.). F. Petersen also swam.

In the Springboard Dive, each competitor diving three times, straight dives only, M. Gavin won with ease; H. Lehmann being second. O. Friesner, E. A. Brander and J. M. X. Chollet also dived.

In the International Team Race for the Lehmann Cup, there were three teams entered, British, Swiss and German. Each team of four men, first man backstroke, second side, third breast, and fourth free style.

The German Team, Messrs. L. Werner, R. Klewitz, P. Dietrich and E. Dormanns, carried off this event in 64 secs., from the British team, Messrs. F. E. W. Lammert, R. T. O. Lammert, D. Latimer and E. H. Shekury. The Swiss team, M. Gavin, M. Habicht, O. Friesner and W. Seiffert, was a good third.

This cup has now been won twice by German teams and twice by British teams. It will become the property of the team winning it for the third time.

Event No. 5 provided a great deal of amusement. This was the Ladies' Nomination. All the competitors nominated their own ladies; they then lay on their backs at the shallow end with their feet in the air. On the word "Go" their partners tied their feet together, they then dropped into the water as best they could, swam half a length, passed over a bamboo stretched across the surface of the water, then passed under the bamboo and swam back to the shallow end where their partners untied their feet. R. Rasmussen and Mrs. Walcott were first; and E. H. Shekury and Miss Lee second.

The Two Lengths Sidestroke handicap was the next event on the programme. R. Rasmussen

LIFESAVING TESTS.

TWO EXAMINATIONS AT LYEMUN BEACH.

Two examinations were held at the R.A. beach, Lyemun, under the auspices of the Royal Lifesaving Society. The following recommendations for awards have been forwarded to the Chief Executive in London:

For the Award of Morit (Silver Medal), in order of merit: Gomers W. Pollard, A. Emery, W. Fogarty, and J. Gray, all of the 12th Heavy Battery, R.A.

For the Proficiency Certificate and Bronze Medallion: L/Bdr. A. Worthington of the 31st Heavy Battery, and Gunner T. Dryden of the 20th Heavy Battery, R.A.

There are at present several Classes in the Colony training for the examinations conducted by the R.L.S.S.

1st, 59 secs. (nett time 42 secs.); G. S. Moss 2nd, 69 2/5 secs. (nett time 45 2/5 secs.). Also swam:—P. Dietrich, O. Friesner, R. D. Walcott, R. T. O. Lammert and E. A. Brander.

Some beautiful diving was witnessed during the Fancy Trapeze Dive event. Each competitor dived three times, choosing his own style. It was only after two extra dives had been accorded that the judges were able to make a decision between first and second place, M. Gavin being adjudged first, and H. Lehmann second. P. Dietrich and E. A. Brander also dived.

In the Cockfight, Melee, M. Habicht and M. Gavin defeated L. Werner and E. H. Shekury; and O. Friesner and R. Rasmussen defeated E. A. Brander and R. Klewitz. In the final, O. Friesner and R. Rasmussen defeated M. Habicht and M. Gavin.

This was followed by an exhibition of high diving by Messrs. M. Gavin, H. Lehmann, E. A. Brander and P. Dietrich, which was loudly applauded by the spectators.

The last event on the programme was a Mixed Team Race. The result was:

"Liqueur Lappers":—Messrs. M. Habicht, G. S. Moss, M. Gavin, L. Werner and F. E. W. Lammert, 1st, 53 secs.; "Whiskey Walkers":—Messrs. R. Klewitz, J. M. X. Chollet, H. Lehmann, P. Dietrich and E. H. Shekury, 2nd, 53 1/5 secs.

Also competed "Brandy Bibbers," Mrs. W. F. Arndt and Messrs. F. Petersen, R. D. Walcott, W. R. Farmer and R. Rasmussen and the "Gin Guzzlers," Miss Dorothy Page and Messrs. O. Friesner, W. O. Kohler, R. T. O. Lammert and E. Dormanns.

After the events, Mr. W. R. Farmer, Chairman of the Club, made a short speech, and then called upon Mrs. Lehmann to present the prizes.

The officials were:

General Committee:—Messrs. W. R. Farmer, C. E. Watson, F. Gandesal, M. Gavin and J. H. Ferguson.

Judges:—Messrs. C. E. Watson, A. Hoffmeister, J. J. Moore, W. O. Kohler and M. A. Annett.

Handicapping Committee:—

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Our Own Correspondent.

NEW AFRICAN RAILWAY.

BRITISH ENTERPRISE ON WEST COAST.

Cala (Angola), June 10.

The Portuguese Minister for the Colonies arrived here on Saturday by special train for the opening of the Benguela Railway. In a graceful speech he re-named the town "Robert Williams," in recognition of Sir Robert Williams' services to Angola in building the railway. A monument was unveiled, the ceremony being performed by Lady Williams.

The importance of the Benguela Railway, which is the latest branch of the future main trunk line between Cape Town and Cairo, is that it will afford many districts in Central Africa an economic outlet to the West Coast at Lobito Bay and so facilitate their rapid industrial development.

The conception of the line, and the development of the harbour at its Atlantic terminus, emanates from Sir Robert Williams. Sir Robert discovered the valuable deposits of copper ore in the Belgian Congo, which attracted Africa's railways northward from the Cape, and then to say distance and time on transport to Europe and America he conceived the Benguela Railway project whose construction was commenced in 1902 from Lobito Bay.

The railway has now been opened at the Anglo-Belgian Congo Border and with the completion of the extension now under construction through the Belgian Congo to connect with the Katanga Railway system, the Benguela Railway will become the most important section of Africa's first transcontinental rail route from East to West from Beira to Dibito Bay.

This railway will shorten the distance between England and Rhodesia and other centres in Central Africa by some 2,500 miles, which will entail the saving of many days in the transport of mails, passengers, and freight to and from England to those territories.

The construction of the Benguela Railway has been entirely undertaken with materials made in British workshops and the whole of the rolling stock has been made in England. Altogether British workshops have benefited to the extent of some £9,000,000.—Reuter.

AMERICAN STOCKS.
CABLED QUOTATIONS FROM NEW YORK.

The following quotations, as at the close of the market on Thursday last, have been received from their correspondents, Messrs. Haydn, Stone and Co., of New York, by Messrs. Swan, Culverton and Fritz, Sassoon House, Shanghai, (cable address "Swanstock," Shanghai), who are not responsible for the cable quotations. The quotations are subject to confirmation:

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Hethelchen Steel	110	110
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General Motor (Common)	72	72
Goodrich B. F. (Common)	83	81
Granby Consolidated Copper	85	85
International Cement (Common)	82	81
Liggett and Myers "B"	88	88
Missouri Pacific (Common)	95	95
Nevada Consolidated Copper	47	48
Packard Motor Car (Common)	135	135
Radio Corporation of America (Common)	70	78
Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey	57	57
Standard Oil Co. of New York	30	30
Southern Pacific	128	138
Texas Corporation	93	92
United States Leather	40	40
"A"	97	98
United States Steel	119	98
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A WEEK'S WORK.

ACTIVITIES OF THE WATER EMERGENCY COMMITTEE.

Among the various craft now in the hands of the Water Emergency Committee for water transport are 13 wooden lighters, three of 100 tons and ten of 125 tons capacity, and the tug Pearl and the motor launch Jadestone for Harbour work. There are also three steel lighters of 300 tons capacity and two of 250 tons.

Among the larger craft are the Vermont of 450 tons capacity and the Fu Kwang, which will remain in service until the end of the month, of 1,100 tons.

There are likewise three water boats, one of 250 tons and two of 225 tons capacity, and the Admiralty tug Cherub of 140 tons.

Further additions to this fleet are being considered. Some idea of the amount of tonnage handled by the Water Controller's office may be gathered from the fact that during the week ending the 10th inst. 13,700 tons or 3,068,000 gallons of water were placed in the tanks along the Praya frontage.

It is also of interest to note that several sources of supply: Manila, Mikie, Keelung, Wang Moon, Shanghai, Foochow and Yokohama.

The total amount of water handled up to the 10th by the Controller, from ships in transit to ships and stations in port requiring the same was 580 tons which is charged far at \$1 a ton.

Water for Launches.

Work in connexion with laying pipelines, etc., so as to make water available for police and harbour launches is now complete and Tai Shui Hang has been thrown open for use.

At Sham Cheng 4,600 feet of piping have been laid to tap the sources of potable water for the Colony. A dam has been almost completed and valve fittings and other equipment are all ready for placement. This work is expected to be completed by the end of the week.

A DRUG MYSTERY.

FRENCH AUTHORITIES PUZZLED BY CONSIGNMENT.

Paris, July 11.

There is considerable mystery with regard to the heroin and cocaine found yesterday, which is addressed to Ghulam Nabi Khan, the former Afghan Minister here.

It is believed that he had nothing to do with the drugs, and that traffickers used his name hoping to secure diplomatic immunity.—Reader.

[A Paris message published yesterday stated.—The authorities are investigating a mystery associated with four boxes of "personal effects" consigned under cover of diplomatic immunity to a high official of the Afghan Legation. An examination of the contents showed that the boxes contained heroin and cocaine valued at Frs. 832,000. The official concerned was recently transferred to Moscow.]

THE HARBOUR PIPE-LINE.

OPERATIONS TO START AT END OF MONTH.

In the form of a Notice to Mariners, the following is of interest:

"Operations in connexion with the cross harbour pipe-line will commence about July 23, 1929."

"The first instalment of this work will be carried out over an area extending 500 feet from the seaward end of Queen's Pier.

"A grab-dredger, junks for depositing rubble and three diving barges will be employed.

"The area will be marked by six sampans and all vessels employed will fly, as a distinguishing signal, a square red flag.

"All shipping must give this area a wide berth and under no circumstances attempt to pass between the mark vessels."

This notice, issued yesterday, was signed by the Harbour Master, the Hon. Commdr. G. F. Hole, R. N.

It will be recalled that another notice issued by the Harbour Master on June 28 was to the effect that "boring operations of the harbour bottom on a line joining the seaward end of Queen's Pier and the position of the intersection of the centre line of Nathan Road in the Kowloon sea-front would commence on July 4, 1929." These borings have been completed.

Strange Fish Encountered.

Divers who have been at work on the Harbour bottom relate strange experiences at various depths. For the most part the centre of the harbour, which averages something like 75 feet deep, is a hard sandy bottom but toward the sides a great quantity of mud is found.

Some days ago one of the divers came across some extraordinary specimens of marine life. In relatively clear water he noticed what appeared to be some species of marine vegetation and at first paid little attention to it. Later he was surprised to see what he took to be a sort of submarine form move from the spot where he was working. It was seen, actually to walk on what were apparently roots—long protuberances which served as tentacles for the pseudo plant to attach itself to different objects.

Noticing that it moved very slowly he kept it in sight and when ready to come to the surface determined to carry it with him. He easily detached it and brought it to the surface and found it to be in reality a fish of the mudfish variety.

Such fish are apparently common in the muddy bottoms of the harbour. At times other very unusual fish are come across as well as extraordinary large crabs and varieties of molluscs.

LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page.

FIRE, FORE, CORE, GONE, GONG.

CORRESPONDENCE.

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SHANSI FAMINE.

\$2,000,000 LOAN BONDS TO BE OFFERED FOR SALE.

Famine relief public loan bonds of the Shansi province of face value of \$2,000,000 will be offered for sale if the Nanking Government approves the suggestion of Chang Chun, Mayor of Shanghai (Chinese territory) that the bonds be sold, according to an announcement made by Lien Tien-hsiang, a representative from Shansi, who says that a \$3,000,000 public loan will be floated for the benefit of the famine sufferers of his province.

He called on the Mayor with a view to enlisting his aid in this laudable project and it is stated that the latter is kindly disposed towards the proposal and has referred the matter for the approval of the Nanking authorities.

BRITISH TRADE.

JUNE SHOWS A DECREASE COMPARED WITH MAY.

London, July 11.

The Board of Trade returns for June are as follow:

Imports, £91,498,000; exports, £49,838,000; being decreases of £1,994,000 and £17,544,000, respectively, compared with May.

Reader.

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A. RICE DISPUTE.

SMALL DEALERS AT VARIANCE WITH CHAMBER.

A dispute has arisen in Canton between the rice merchants and the Rice and Sugar Associated Chamber.

It is said that it has always been the rule that the Rice and Sugar Associated Chamber orders goods from abroad and resells them to the small traders, or in other words this Chamber more or less controls the fate of the rice shops in Canton, which number over 200. To protect their interests the rice shops recently organised an Association, and some time last week the latter put forth a demand to the Associated Chamber requesting that the rice shops pay their debts to the Chamber 60 days after delivery, the former procedure being 75 days. The Chamber has refused to comply, and the result is that the rice shops now announce the suspension of all business with the Chamber, threatening not to order from the latter but send direct orders to Hongkong or other centres.

THE S.S. TIN YAT.

COMMANDERED VESSEL ARRIVES FROM CANTON.

Commandered by the Canton Sub-committee at the outset of trouble between Kwangtung and Kwangsi, the s.s. Tin Yat has not been heard of for quite a long time. She turned up here yesterday morning, arriving in port at about 11 a.m. and proceeded to Shamshui Po, where she is now lying.

Before the outbreak of war between the two neighbouring provinces, she was on the run between Hongkong and Canton under the command of Capt. E. P. Smith, with Mr. Evans as Mate, and Mr. Leach as Chief Engineer. As luck would have it, she was at Canton when the declaration of war was made, and was accordingly commandeered by the authorities there, as she belonged to the brother of the Governor of Kwangsi, General Wang Shao-hu.

Whether she has been returned to her owner is not known. She arrived here yesterday under the command of Capt. Ho Fook.

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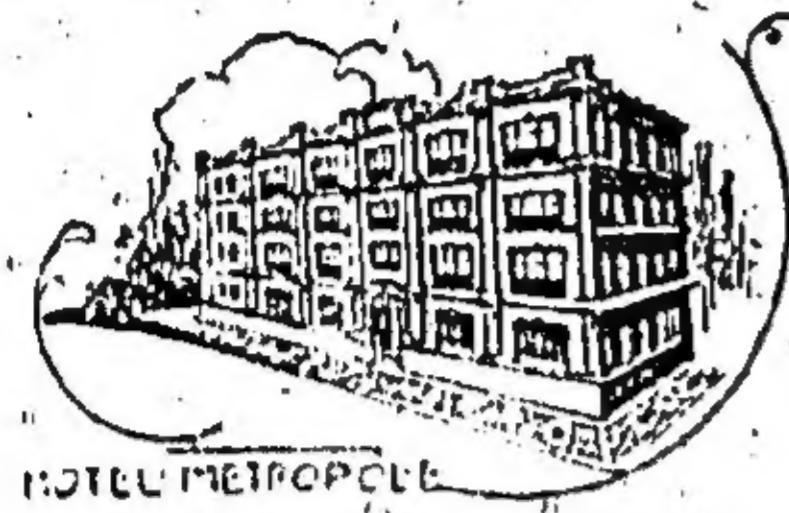
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1928 PRAYER BOOK SANCTION.**DECISION LEFT TO CHURCH COUNCILS.**

London, July 11.
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If you approve the amendment, Mr. Shenton, as representing a large proportion of the fully-paid shareholders, will approach the latter with a view to obtaining their consent to waive their rights involving the calling up of unpaid capital. This will take some time, as the shareholders in question are widely scattered.

Result of Amendment.

If Mr. Shenton's proposal is consented to by the holders of the fully-paid shares, an extraordinary general meeting will later be called with a view to winding up the Company on the new lines. The

MURDER OF INDIAN CONSTABLE.**SEARCH FOR MISSING CHINESE COUPLE CONTINUES.****HOPES OF AN ARREST.**

There has been no fresh development in the murder-case reported yesterday morning, in which a Sikh policeman, P.C. Sapuran Singh, was found dead, his body badly mutilated with chopper wounds, in a disused quarry at Yau Ma Tei.

The theory of a woman having been concerned in the affair is being pursued, and investigations, which are proceeding, appear to be mainly directed towards the discovery of a missing Chinese couple, an unemployed Chinese and his wife, who have disappeared from a married in which they had been living near the scene of the murder.

A certain distinguishing feature in the appearance of the man is thought likely to help officers should he show himself.

It is expected that before the week is out, an arrest will have been made.

CHASE OF DRUNKEN MOTORIST.**"I WILL SHOW YOU HOW TO DRIVE."**

Bournemouth, June 18.
A sequel to the chase of a motor-car through the main Bournemouth street was heard in the Police Court here-to-day, when Reginald Keyes, of The Dene, Dartford, Kent, stated to be a director of a firm of millers, was fined £1 12s., including costs, for being drunk in charge of a motor-car, and for dangerous driving. His licence was suspended for twelve months.

Sydney Bates, of Albany-road, Coventry, said that he advised Keyes for his own safety not to drive any further, but Keyes, who was not sober, replied: "I will show you how to drive," and shot off down the hill in a zig-zag fashion at a terrific speed.

"I followed him in my car," he said, "and when Keyes stopped I reported the matter to a police constable. When the constable asked Keyes to get out of his car he shot away again at a terrific speed across Bournemouth Square, mounted the pavement, just missing a pedestrian, up the main Old Christchurch-road, and into a side road. Owing to defendant's speed we lost sight of him."

It was stated that Keyes was arrested when he stopped owing to a burst tyre.

WHEN KING DINED IN THE LORDS.**CATERER'S MEMORIES OF UNIQUE CEREMONY.**

Mr. Walter J. Baron, head caterer to the House of Lords, is resigning shortly to take up the tenancy of The Griffin Hotel at Kingston.

Mr. Baron had the unique honour of catering for King George when he dined with Lord Birkenhead in the King's Robing Room in the House of Lords on July 23, 1920.

This was the first time for 200 years that a British king had dined in the House of Parliament.

The King's carriage was ordered on this occasion for 10 p.m., but his Majesty stayed until 11.30.

Mr. Baron has many interesting reminiscences of famous peers.

He relates that Lord Haldane would order his meal and when it was placed on the table would ask for his bill and pay it before he touched the food.

result would be that the remaining assets would be distributed amongst the fully-paid up shareholders and although the partly-paid up shareholders would receive nothing, no further call would be made on them.

I will now put the amendment proposed by the Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton and seconded by Mr. Coxon:—"That the Company be wound up voluntarily but that the fully-paid up shareholders be approached with reference to the distribution of the assets of the Company." Will those in favour kindly signify their assent in the usual way? Against.

The motion was carried unanimously.

The Chairman:—The first resolution, "That the Company be wound up voluntarily" is therefore lost and the Company remains as before the meeting of the 21st June and until we learn the result of Mr. Shenton's inquiry nothing further can be done.

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